

WASHINGTON. D.C. - Congressman John Hall (NY-19) was honored today at the Blinded American Veterans Foundation's 25th annual Congressional Awards Ceremony, where he received the George "Buck" Gillispie Award for Meritorious Service for his significant contributions to sensory disabled American veterans. The event was held in the Cannon House Office Building.

As the Chairman of the Veterans' Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, Rep. Hall has been a strong advocate for the men and women who put their lives on the line in order to defend our nation. Earlier today, Rep. Hall announced that the VA has created new shorter claims forms to simplify the process veterans must undergo while applying for disability benefits. These simplified forms come in response to legislation that Rep. Hall introduced in Congress.

"It is an honor to be recognized by the Blinded American Veterans Foundation for my support of our nation's veterans," said Rep. Hall. "We can and must do more to help these brave men and women who have sacrificed so much for all of us."

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Congressman Hall meets Sgt. Sharr (John P. Ales), President of the Blinded American Veterans Foundation